

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

US Army
Corps
Of Engineers
Baltimore
District

In reply to Application Number CENAB-OP-RMN(BA DEPRM/BROWNS COVE/ BREEZY POINT/DREDGING)02-66556-15

Comment Period: 1 January 2005 To 1 February 2005

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE WORK DESCRIBED BELOW. AT THIS TIME, NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT A PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED.

The Baltimore District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to the Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C 1344), as described below:

APPLICANT: Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management (DEPRM)

C/O Mr. William B. Heckert (Agent) 1321 Mercedes Drive, Suite C Hanover, Maryland 21076

LOCATION: Browns Cove and Breezy Point, Baltimore County, Maryland.

WORK: To hydraulically or mechanically maintenance dredge a 15,765-foot long by 30 to 50-foot wide main channel in Browns Cove and Breezy Point to depths of -3.0 to -6.0 feet below mean low water connecting to the Chesapeake Bay. Additionally, 36 spur channels listed below are proposed. The dredging will result in approximately 48,545 cubic yards of material from the main channel and 12,564 cubic yards of material from the spur channels, which will be deposited at the Hart Miller Island Disposal Site. The permit for these projects, if approved, would authorize periodic maintenance dredging for 10 years, subject to prior notification of the District Engineer and availability of an adequate disposal site for the dredged material. The purpose of the proposed work is to improve navigable access to residential piers. All work is to be completed in accordance with the enclosed plan(s). A complete copy of the permit application plans is available for review at the Baltimore County Public Library in Essex, Middlesex Shopping Center, at the Baltimore County DEPRM by calling (410) 887-2904 or by contacting the Corps of Engineers Project Manager Mr. Rich Kibby at (410) 962-0694. The permit application plans can also be reviewed at http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Regulatory/PublicNotice/BaltimoreCounty.htm If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Rich Kibby, at (410) 962-0694.

## Spur Channels:

Tracking #	<u>Name</u>	Spur Channel Area	<u>Volume</u>	Proposed
		Approx. sq. ft.	cubic yds.	Max. Depth
				Ft. MLW
200266557	Charles Hartlove	5,000	188	-4.0
	2549 Barrison Point Road			
200266558	Ray Bonczewski	2,250	98	-4.0
	2553 Barrison Point Road			
200255659	Bruce Laing	6,375	416	-4.0
	2546 Island View Road			
200266560	Joann Bell & Susan Cole	8,375	408	-4.0
	2538 Island View Road			
200266562	Marshall Keeny & Ernest Hoffman	7,750	318	-4.0
	2512-14 Island View Road			

200266563	Kluttz & Plott Kluttz & Plott Kluttz & Plott	10,000 6,250 4,250	1458	-4.0 -4.0 -4.0
	2476 Schaffers Road	4,230		-4.0
200266564	Louis Vesperman 2419 Golupski Road	5,000	391	-4.0
200266565	Jacob & Connie Polonski 2431 Golupski Road	2,500	134	-4.0
200266566	Roland Barthelmes & Jeff Prendergast 2420-28 Golupski Road	5,000	523	-4.0
200266567	Brian Debelius 2412 Golupski Road	4,750	551	-4.0
200266569	Frank B. Dorn 2404-06 Golupski Road	5,000	538	-4.0
200266570	Patrick Malec 2229-31 Philips Road	6,000	641	-4.0
200266571	John D. Wiseman Jr. 2330-41 Philips Road	3,750	204	-3.5
200266573	Leonard & Erin Niedoba 1122 Fantat Road	2,800	195	-3.0
200266574	David & Michelle Stiller 1130 Fantat Road	1,675	124	-4.0
200266575	Irma & John Rybczynski 1138 Fantat Road	4,750	356	-4.0
200266576	Maria Lambrow 1140 Fantat Road	3,750	278	-4.0
200266577	Bryan & Judith Jurgenson 1139 Fantat Road	3,925	401	-4.0
200266578	William Bafitas 1249 Engleberth Road	11,025	862	-4.0
200266579	Mark Thomas Gray & Thomas William Gray 1245 Engleberth Road	2,400	264	-4.0
200266580	James L. Mitchell 1241 Engleberth Road	4,000	253	-4.0
200266581	Michael Butler & Rita Kurek 1231 Engleberth Road	2,275	282	-4.0
200266582	Mark Hoffman 1227 Engleberth Road	3,500	563	-4.0
200266583	Ward & Cathy Holden 1225 Engleberth Road	10,000	1,008	-4.0
200266584	Joseph Raspe 1209 Engleberth Road	3,250	399	-5.0
200266585	Catherine Wohleben 1145 Engleberth Road	4,250	242	-4.0
200266586	Joseph Pappagallo 1117 Engleberth Road	5,000	184	-3.0
200266587	John Frederick Neukam 1213 Engleberth Road	1,050	70	-4.0
200266588	Charles J. Foehrkolb 2903 Breezy Point Court	12,500	463	-3.0
200266589	Michael & Marsha Dalton 2723 Holly Beach Road	1,000	141	-4.0
200266590	Helen J. Budreski 2725 Broring Drive	2,500	338	-4.0
200266591	Ricki S. Eck 2727 Holly Beach Road	400	43	-4.0
200266592	Chester Stefanowicz 2729 Holly Beach Road	750	75	-4.0
200266593	Joe & Barbara Byrnes 2731 Holly Beach Road	2,000	156	-4.0

Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Assessment: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act (MSFCMA), as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-267), requires all Federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded or undertaken by the agency that may adversely effect essential fish habitat (EFH). The project site lies in or adjacent to EFH as described under MSFCMA for Scopthalmus aquosos (windowpane flounder) juvenile and adult; pomatomus saltatrix (blue fish) juvenile and adult; Paralicthys dentatus (summer flounder) juvenile and adult; and eggs, larvae, juvenile, and adult stages of Sciaenops ocellatus (red drum), Scomberomorus cavalla (king mackerel), Scomberomorus maculatus (spanish mackerel), and Rachycentron canadum (cobia), managed species under the MSFCMA. The project has the potential to adversely effect EFH or the species of concern by loss of spawning, nursery, forage and/or shelter habitat. The Baltimore District has determined that the adverse effects of this project would not be substantial and an abbreviated consultation will be conducted with NMFS. No mitigative measures are recommended to minimize adverse effects on EFH at this time. This determination may be modified if additional information indicates otherwise and would change the preliminary determination.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or and Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The applicant is required to obtain a water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act from the Maryland Department of the Environment. Any written comments concerning the work described above which relate to water quality certification must be received by the Standards and Certification Division Maryland Department of the Environment, Montgomery Park Business Center, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 430, Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1708 within the comment period as specified above to receive consideration. Written comments concerning the work described above related to the factors listed above or other pertinent factors must be received by the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore Maryland 21203-1715, within the comment period as specified above to receive consideration. The 401 certifying agency has a statutory limit of one year to make its decision.

The applicant has certified in this application that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the Maryland Coastal Zone Program. This certification statement is available for inspection in the District Office; however, public comments relating to consistency must be received by the Coastal Zone Division, Maryland Department of the Environment, Montgomery Park Business Center, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 430, Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1708 within the comment period as specified above. It should be noted that CZ Division has a statutory limit of 6 months in which to make its consistency determination.

The applicant must obtain any State or local government permits which may be required.

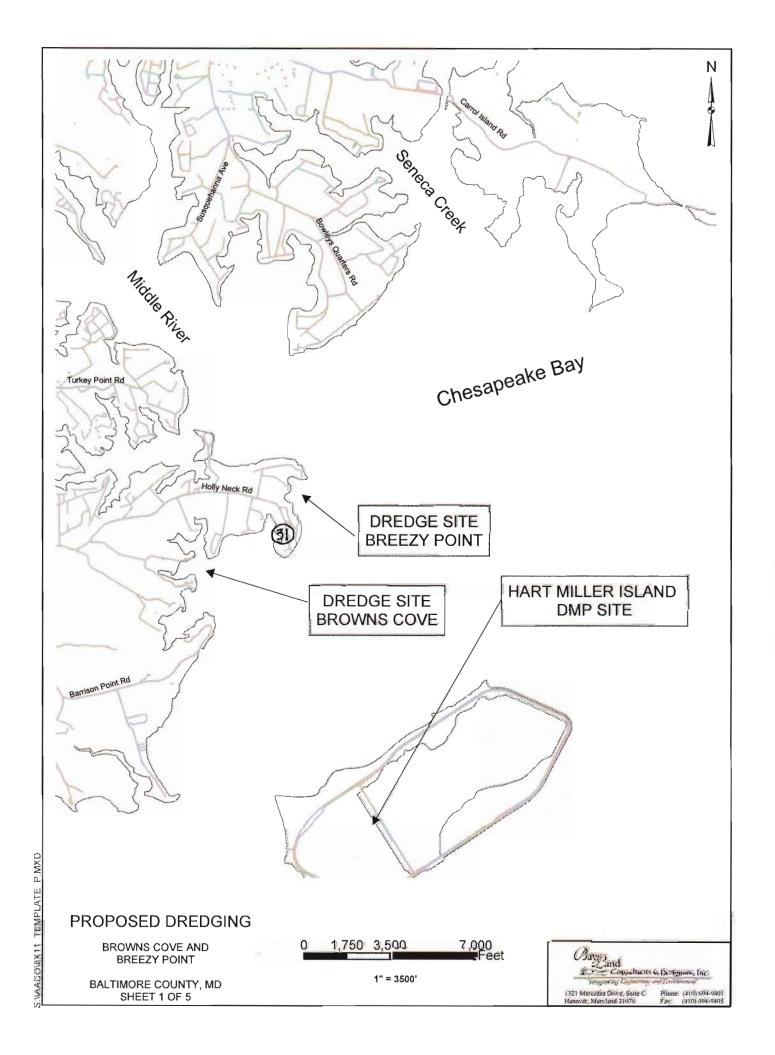
A preliminary review of this application indicates that the proposed work will not affect listed species or their critical habitat pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. As the evaluation of this application continues, additional information may become available which could modify this preliminary determination.

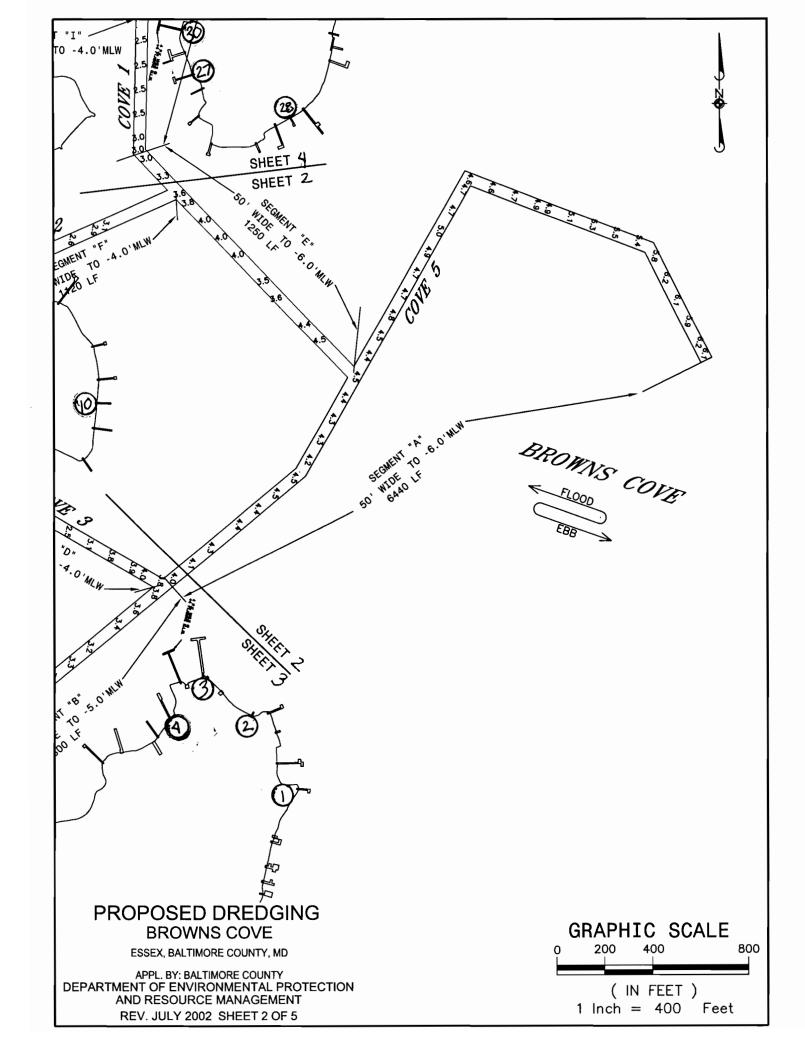
Review of the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places indicated that no registered properties listed as eligible for inclusion therein are located at the site of the proposed work. Currently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistoric, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by the work to be accomplished under the requested permit.

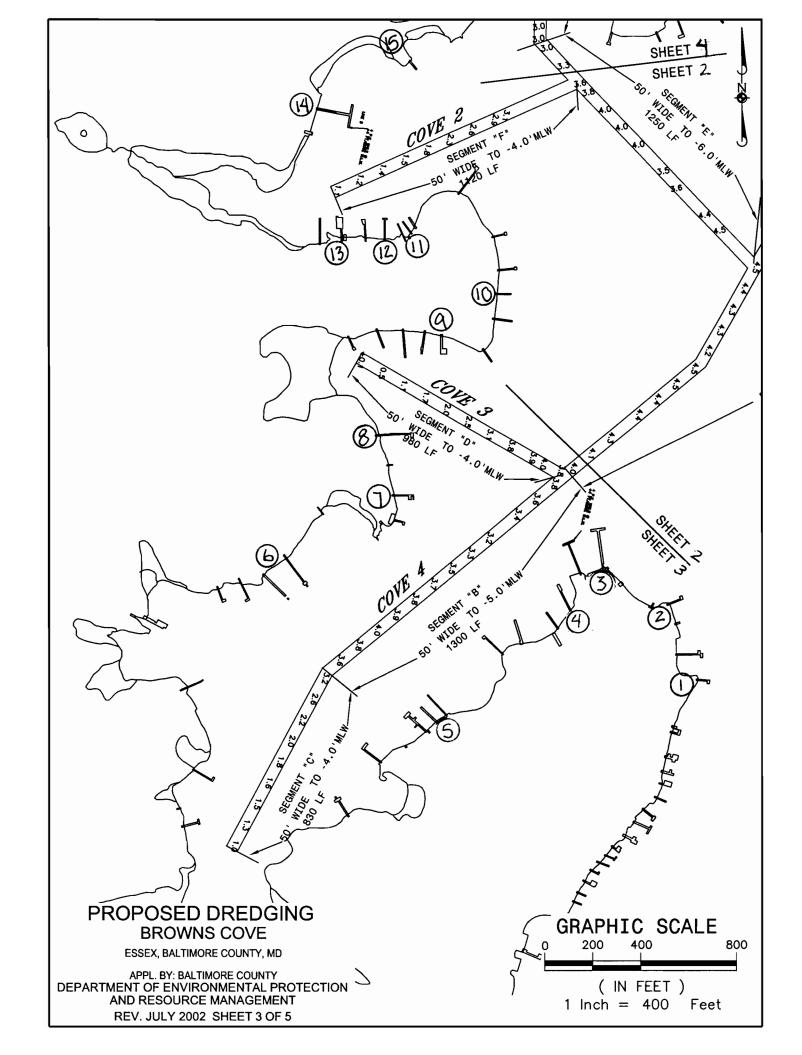
The evaluation of the impact of the work described above on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Any person who has an interest which may be adversely affected by the issuance of this permit may request a public hearing. The request, which must be in writing, must be received by the District Engineer, US Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore Maryland, 21203-1714, within the comment period as specified as above to receive consideration. Also, it must clearly state forth the interest which may be adversely affected by this activity in the manner in which the interest may be adversely affected.

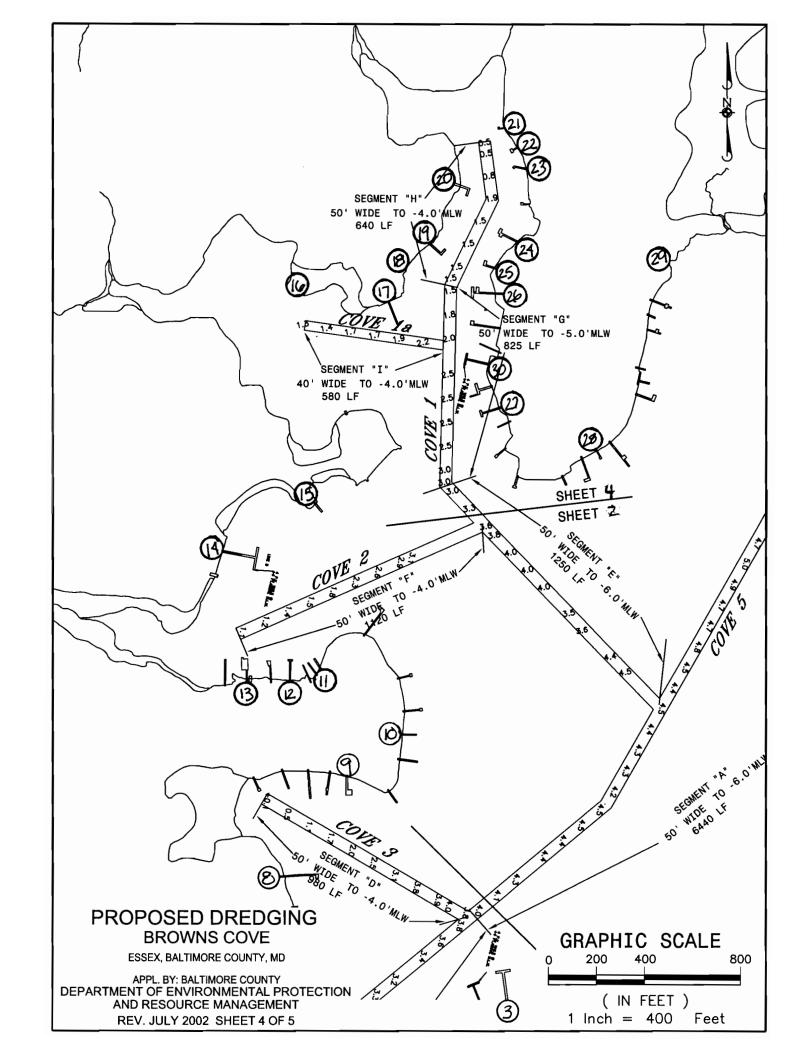
It is requested that you communicate the foregoing information concerning the proposed work to any persons known by you to be interested and not being known to this office, who did not receive a copy of this notice.

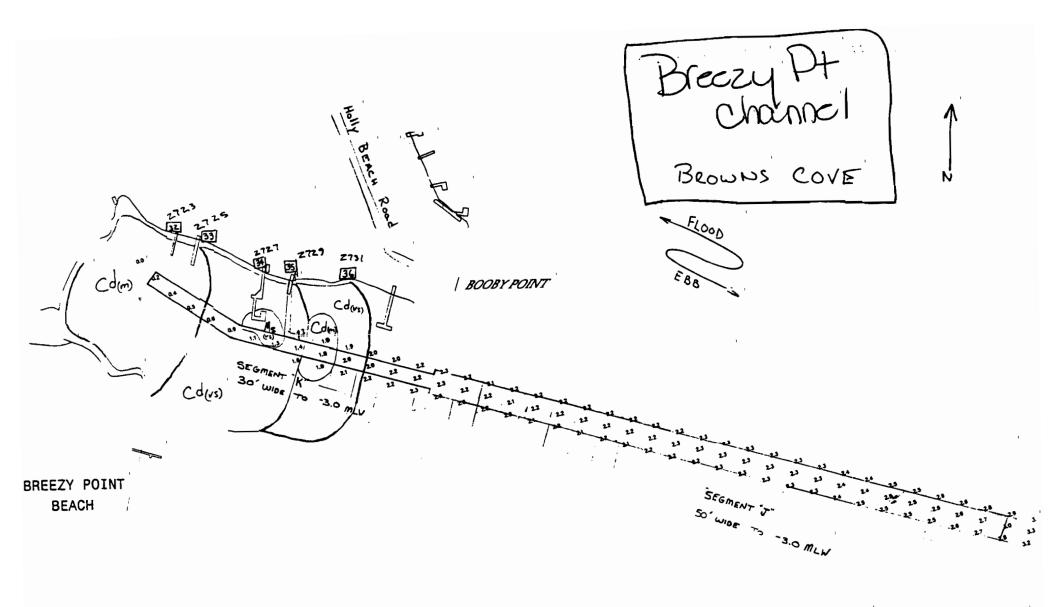
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